

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Group Art Unit 1742

PAUL W. BROWN

Attorney Docket No. 287122-00001-2

Serial No. 10/047,226

Entitled:

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A METHOD OF RESISTING

CORROSION IN METAL

REINFORCING ELEMENTS

CONTAINED IN CONCRETE AND

RELATED COMPOUNDS AND

STRUCTURES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

November 26, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

In the Claims:

The method of Claim 18 including

providing said preformed panel with lower porosity than said slurry layer.

REMARKS

Applicant hereby elects to pursue the Group II claims, i.e., Claims 15-31. This election is made without traverse.

The Examiner's alertness in raising the issue regarding the dependency of Claim 19 has been noted with appreciation and an appropriate amendment as been entered.

An action on the merits of Claims 15-31 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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